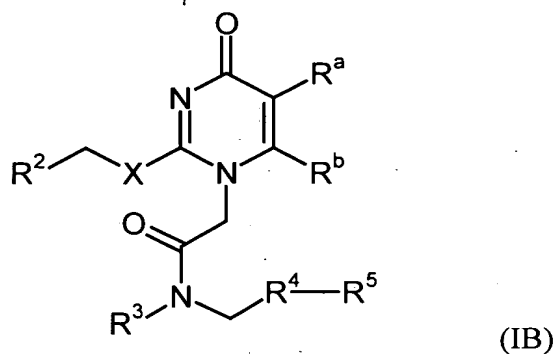


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Amendments to the Claims:

1 - 17 (Cancelled)

18. (original) A compound of the formula (IB):



in which:

R^a and R^b together with the pyrimidine ring carbon atoms to which they are attached form a fused 5-membered carbocyclic ring;

R^2CH_2X is 4-fluorobenzylthio;

R^3 is $C_{(1-3)}$ alkyl substituted by NR^8R^9 ; or

R^3 is Het- $C_{(0-2)}$ alkyl in which Het is a 5- to 7- membered heterocyclyl ring comprising N and in which N is unsubstituted or substituted by $C_{(1-6)}$ alkyl;

R^4 and R^5 form a 4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)phenyl moiety;

R^8 and R^9 which may be the same or different are selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, or $C_{(1-6)}$ alkyl); and

X is S.

19. (Currently amended) A compound as claimed in claim 18 which is:

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethylpyrimidin-4-one;~~

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrid-5-ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethylpyrimidin-4-one;~~ 1-(N-(2-

(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one; 1-(N-methyl-N-(2-(4-

chlorophenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-(2-aminoethyl)pyrimidin-4-one;

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- 1-(N-methyl-N-(2-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-(2-acetamidoethyl)pyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-(dimethylaminomethyl)pyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methylpyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-methyl-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrid-5-ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methylpyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methylpyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrid-5-ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methylpyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-chlorophenyl)pyrimid-5-ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methylpyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrimid-5-ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methylpyrimidin-4-one;
- (\pm) 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(1-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)phenyl)ethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methylpyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-(2-(1-piperidino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methylpyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-methyl-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethylpyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethylpyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-methyl-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrid-5-ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethylpyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-chlorophenyl)pyrimid-5-ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethylpyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrimid-5-ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethylpyrimidin-4-one;
- 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-propylpyrimidin-4-one;

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——— 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)amino-carbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-propylpyrimidin-4-one;

——— 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethoxycarbonylmethylpyrimidin-4-one;

——— 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)amino-carbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-isopropoxycarbonylmethylpyrimidin-4-one;

——— 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonyl-methyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-hydroxymethylpyrimidin-4-one;

——— 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)amino-carbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-hydroxymethylpyrimidin-4-one;

——— 1-(N-methyl-N-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-(2-hydroxyethyl)pyrimidin-4-one;

——— 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonyl-methyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-(2-hydroxyethyl)pyrimidin-4-one;

——— 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrid-5-yl-methyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-(2-hydroxyethyl)pyrimidin-4-one;

——— 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)amino-carbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-(2-hydroxyethyl)pyrimidin-4-one;

——— 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)amino-carbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-dimethylpyrimidin-4-one;

1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonyl-methyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

——— 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonyl-methyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-tetramethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

——— 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)amino-carbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-tetramethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

——— 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrid-5-yl-methyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-tetramethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)amino-carbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-chloropyrimidin-4-one;

——— 1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonyl-methyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-chloropyrimidin-4-one;

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~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrid-5-ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-chloropyrimidin-4-one;~~

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-bromopyrimidin-4-one;~~

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-chlorophenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-bromopyrimidin-4-one;~~

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methoxypyrimidin-4-one;~~

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrid-5-ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methoxypyrimidin-4-one;~~

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethoxypyrimidin-4-one;~~

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrid-5-ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethoxypyrimidin-4-one;~~

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrid-5-ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methylthiopyrimidin-4-one;~~

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methylthiopyrimidin-4-one;~~

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methylsulfinylpyrimidin-4-one;~~

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrid-5-ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-methylsulfinylpyrimidin-4-one;~~

1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)-aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(2,3-difluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(3,4-difluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(2,3,4-trifluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(2-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

1-(N-methyl-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

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1-(N-(2-(1-piperidino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)amino-
carbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(3-(4-trifluoromethylphenoxy)benzyl)-
aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenoxy)benzyl)-
aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylbiphenyl-4-yl)propyl)-
aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylbiphenyl-4-yl)propyl)-
aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethylpyrimidin-4-one;~~

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylbiphenyl-4-
yloxy)ethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethylpyrimidin-4-one;~~

1-(N-(1-ethylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)amino-
carbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

1-(N-(2-ethylamino-2-methylpropyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)-
aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

N-(2-tert-butylaminoethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)amino-
carbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

~~N-(2-diethylaminoethyl)-2-[2-(4-fluorobenzylthio)-4-oxo-4H-thieno[3,2-d]pyrimidin-1-
yl]-N-(4'-trifluoromethylbiphenyl-4-ylmethyl)acetamide;~~

~~N-(2-diethylaminoethyl)-2-[2-(4-fluorobenzylthio)-4-oxo-4H-quinazolin-1-yl]-N-(4'-
trifluoromethylbiphenyl-4-ylmethyl)acetamide;~~

~~ethyl-{2-[2-(4-fluorobenzylthio)-4-oxo-4,5,6,7-tetrahydrocyclopentapyrimidin-1-
yl]ethanoyl}-{4'-trifluoromethylbiphenyl-4-ylmethyl}amino}ethyl}carbamie acid tert-butyl ester;~~

1-(N-(1-methylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)-
aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

1-(N-(1-isopropylpiperidin-4-yl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)-
aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;

1-(N-(1-(2-methoxyethyl)piperidin-4-yl)-N-(4-(4-
trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylene-
pyrimidin-4-one;

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~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)amino-~~
~~carbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-(2-aminoethyl)pyrimidin-4-one; 1-(N-(2-~~
~~(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-~~
~~fluorobenzyl)thio-5-(2-acetamidoethyl)pyrimidin-4-one;~~
~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)amino-~~
~~carbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-(2-methanesulfonamidoethyl)pyrimidin-4-one;~~
~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)amino-~~
~~carbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-(2-(methoxyacetamido)ethyl)pyrimidin-4-one; or~~
1-(N-(2-(ethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)-
aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one; or
a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

20. (Currently amended) A compound as claimed in claim ~~1-18~~ which is:

~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)-~~
~~aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethylpyrimidin-4-one;~~
~~1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrid-5-~~
~~ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5-ethylpyrimidin-4-one;~~
1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(4-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)benzyl)-
aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;
1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrid-5-yl-
methyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one; or
1-(N-(2-(diethylamino)ethyl)-N-(2-(4-trifluoromethylphenyl)pyrimid-5-
ylmethyl)aminocarbonylmethyl)-2-(4-fluorobenzyl)thio-5,6-trimethylenepyrimidin-4-one;
or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

21. (Cancelled)

22. (Currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of
formula (IB) as claimed in claim ~~1-18~~ and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

23. (Currently amended) A method for the primary and secondary prevention of acute
coronary events which method comprises administering a therapeutically effective amount of a
compound of formula (IB) as claimed in claim ~~1-18~~ to a patient in need thereof.

24. (original) The method as claimed in claim 23 wherein the coronary event is caused by
atherosclerosis.

25, 26 (Cancelled)